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C O N F I D E N T I A L PORT OF SPAIN 0596

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ELAB XL TD

SUBJECT: T & T NATIONAL TO ATTEND UPCOMING AIFLD SEMINAR

1. AIFLD CARIBBEAN REGIONAL DIRECTOR HADDAD ON VISIT HERE MAY 24 CONFIRMED TO EMBOFF THAT URSULA GITTENS , PRESIDENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE ASSOCIATION, WILL ATTEND 30- DAY FRONT ROYAL SEMINAR IN JUNE ON ADVANCED LEADERSHIP. GITTENS SAYS SHE WILL FIRST ATTEND TWO- DAY AIFLD SEMINAR IN BARBADOS AT OWN EXPENSE AND DEPART BARBADOS FOR WASHINGTON.
2. HADDAD POINTED OUT THAT INITIATIVE, SELECTION, AND INVITATION TO GITTENS HAD COME FROM CCL AND TTLC. AIFLD WILL FUND VISIT FROM NON- PROGRAM SOURCES, IF NECESSARY, BUT WOULD PREFER TO USE PROGRAM FUNDS.
3. HADDAD ALSO ADDED THAT AIFLD HAS TOLD TTLC THAT IT WILL NOT SPONSOR ACTIVITIES IN T & T UNTIL TTLC OFFICIALLY REQUESTS AIFLD' S ASSISTANCE, PRESENTS EVIDENCE OF GOTT ACCEPTANCE, AND OBTAINS CLEARANCE FROM THE DEPT. OF STATE.
4. TTLC DISCUSSED POSSIBILITY OF ACCEPTING AIFLD SCHOLARSHIPS WITH MINISTER OF LABOR MCCLEAN ON MAY 8. MAY 25 RADIO HAS JUST CARRIED REPORT, SUBSEQUENTLY CONVRIMED BY TTLC SECRETARY, THAT GOTT HAS SENT NEGATIVE REPLY TO TTLC STATING IT WOULD  
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BE UNQISE FOR THE TIME BEING TO ACCEPT AIFLD COURSES AND SCHOLARSHIPS WITHOUT EXAMINING WHAT THEY OFFERED COMPARED TO THE T& T CIPRIANI LABOR COLLEGE.

5. EMBOFF CONTACTED GITTENS AFTERNOON OF MAY 25 WHO STATED HER INTENTION TO CONTINUE WITH PLANNED TRIP AND COURSE AT FRONT ROYAL IN SPITE OF GOTT DISAPPROVAL.

6. GITTENS TRIP, IF IT COMES OFF AS PLANNED, CLEARLY WILL BE IN DIRECT OPPOSITION WISHES OF GOTT TO LIMIT AIFLD SCHOLARSHIPS. SINCE IT WAS WORKED OUT APPARENTLY WITHOUT REFERRAL TO USG OR EMBASSY, PORT OF SPAIN, I MUST INSIST THAT NO USG FUNDS BE UTILIZED. IF FURTHER INVESTIGATION REVEALS THAT GOTT DOES INDEED FEEL STRONGLY, I BELIEVE DEPARTMENT WILL HAVE TO STEP FIRMLY INTO PICTURE TO PREVENT AIFLD ACTIVITIES FROM ONCE AGAIN DAMAGING RELATIONS BETWEEN THE US AND TRINIDAD.  
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